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Medical Burglar Suspect Held

Unemployed Father of Seven Grabbed in Doctor's Office

Police Believe Arrest Will Solve Long Series of Pipe-Wrench Burglaries in Torrance Area

Torrance police today believed a rash of medical-building burglaries have been solved with arrest of an unemployed father of seven young children.

Henry Calvin McClenahan, 36, was arrested in a doctor's office at 1753 Cabrillo at 12:50 a.m. yesterday.

The arresting officers, Sgt. Ralph Walker, Bill Crow, and Harry Owens, said the method of entry was the same as that used in burglarizing many Torrance doctors' offices in the past several months.

In each event, a pipe wrench had been used to twist the door knob. Police said they found a wrench and two screwdrivers in the suspect's pocket.

McClenahan, who lives at 22704 Earl St., locked himself in a restroom when police arrived. They picked the lock to get him out.

A cash box had been rifled, but there has been no evidence in any of the burglaries that the motive was narcotics.

Detective Miles Hamilton is questioning the suspect on the remaining medical-office entries.



WADE PEEBLES

Wade Peebles Wins Award for Public Service

Wade Peebles, Torrance director of public works, Torrance will be recipient of a distinguished-service award in public works next week.

Peebles, employed here less than a year, was one of four in Southern California to receive the award, according to Milton Offner of the Los Angeles Public Works Department, a former president of the American Public Works Association.

Offner said Peebles will receive the award at a banquet of the Southern California chapter of the Public Works Association next Thursday at Roger Young Auditorium.

He said arrangements will be made to repeat the presentation ceremony at a meeting of the Torrance City Council.

Peebles won the award because of excellence of a report, submitted by a committee of which he headed, on model excavation ordinances for California cities.

The report will assist in inter-city cooperation and result in tremendous savings for taxpayers.

Bill of Rights Week to Start

The 19th annual Southern California observance of Bill of Rights Week will start next Wednesday, it was announced by the committee chairman, Joe Crall, president of Coast Federal Savings.

The observance will commemorate the 168th anniversary of ratification of the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution.

The committee is urging citizens to reaffirm their faith in the concepts of the Bill of Rights and review the amendments to be certain of understanding of their meaning.

DOWNTOWN STORES OPEN ON SUNDAYS

Several downtown stores this week will start remaining open on Sundays till Christmas.

They are Karl's Shoes, Newberry's, Lawson's Jewelry, Western Auto, Strum's Department store, Anita Shops, Toy Circus, Rook and Party Shop, and National Gifts.

Other merchants will begin seven-day-a-week opening later in the month.

Help Pick Woman of Year

By Joan Briggs
Press Woman's Editor

There is a Torrance Woman of the Year. Who is she? You, the readers of the TORRANCE PRESS, will decide.

Perhaps it's someone you know who by virtue of her service to family, community, or school, has made an outstanding contribution to our city during the past year. Or someone who's charm, kindness and understanding has enriched the lives of those around her.

We, of the TORRANCE PRESS, need you to help us select her.

Is she that special school teacher, who gives her students a bit of the knowledge of life mixed in with math and biology; a saleswoman in one of our shops who makes life just a bit more pleasant for every customer?

Perhaps she's the housewife and mother next door, who despite innumerable jobs, is never too busy to help when help is needed, or the grandmother, who has completed her service to her family now serves her community in club work, charity, or simply by endowing us with some of the grace and wisdom of a past generation.

She could be a doctor, a nurse, or one of the countless volunteers in our city hospitals. She could have the thankless job of policeman or social worker.

Perhaps she is the woman, who by force of circumstance must be both mother and career woman.

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STANDING PRETTY—Patti Birren stole the show with this sweepstakes winner by Rudolph Flores, Los Angeles photographer. Patti just missed being selected Miss Camera Day at Barnsdall, but posed for prize pictures, selected as top model.

Employment Falls Off

In September hiring dropped below separations for the first time this year. Total separations increased from 5.5 to 5.9 per 100 employed.

Torrance's Patti Birren Top Model at Camera Day in L.A.

Pretty Patti Birren, 15, a Torrance model, has another jewel in her crown after being selected as the top model in the eighth annual Camera Day photo competition in Barnsdall Park, Los Angeles.

Patti was a finalist in the contest, having been selected from an initial array of more than 60 models. She is a student at North High and attends the James Hickey Modeling Studio in Westwood.

She was a model for the sweepstakes final winning photograph by Rudolph Flores, Los Angeles photographer. She also was the model for the blue-ribbon-award-winning print.

Patti was the model for a demonstration lecture on modeling and photography at Barnsdall Friday night.

Torrance High Comedy Goes on Tomorrow

Carol Mathlin has the lead role of Cornelia Otis Skinner in the senior class play, "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay," to be presented in Torrance High School auditorium at 8 p.m. tomorrow and Saturday.

Nancy Osborne was cast in the other lead role of Emily Kimbrough.

Also in the play are Carol Johnson as Cornelia's mother, Jim Pritchard as Otis Skinner, Cornelia's father, Gary Blakley as the ship's steward, Jim White as a pre-med student, Phil Cosby as a second pre-med student, and Noel Shire as Monsieur de la Croix, a French actor.

Other roles are played by Bill Miller, Gary Van de Wetering, Vi Lucero, Vicki Hippik, Linda Hofer, Barbara Adams, Brooke Linderman, and Carol Vorhis.

This beguiling comedy is based on a best-selling novel from which a successful movie was taken and which was written by Misses Skinner and Kimbrough.

The production staff is headed by Flora Watson, student director, and Verne Newsom, stage manager.

Ill and Lonely, Torrance Man Hangs Himself

An elderly Torrance resident, despondent over recent loss of his wife and persistent bad health, hanged himself in the garage at his home early yesterday morning.

Momosuki Kita, 71, was found by a son at 7 a.m. at his home, 24255 Hawthorne Blvd.

His wife had died early this year, he had undergone surgery 11 days ago, and had complained of pain, police were told.

Tropicana Lanes in Grand Opening

Tropicana Lanes, Southern California's newest and most modern bowling and recreation center, is celebrating its grand opening this week at 11163 S. Prairie Ave., Inglewood.

The management is inviting all residents to visit the new location.



STARTING EARLY—Santa Claus will begin to endure the requests of children at the North Torrance Shopping Center, 190th St.

at Anza Ave., today. He will be there every day until Christmas, courtesy of the Sav-on Drugstore organization.



ELFISH—Linda Lascoe, 5, dressed as elf, will participate in opening of Sugar Plum Village at Benstead Plunge Dec. 15. Sponsored by Recreation Department, village will

feature Christmas displays and programs. The first singing group will be Los Conciertos of Hollywood Riviera. The village will be open from 7-9 p.m. daily, closing Dec. 18.